



Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Issue 1 Week Ending April 1, 2007

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Agricultural Summary

Overall conditions for this week have been fair for field work. The days suitable for work were 4.0 days. Some farmers are worried about irrigation water supplies because of below normal snow pack in connection with their field crops. Livestock conditions are good.

Field Crops Summary

Winter wheat looks good around the state. Onions are mostly planted and have been for two or three weeks. Box Elder reports that farmers are planting alfalfa, safflower, spring wheat, barley, and oats. Corn planting will begin in the next couple of weeks. Weber County reports that some winter kill of fall planted barley has resulted in fields being replanted and cut worms on fall planted alfalfa has required farmers to apply insecticides. Irrigation, fuel and fertilizer costs seem to be a major concern with producers in some counties. Irrigation water levels in Box Elder are at 57 percent of normal, Grand County, about 40 percent of normal, and in Emery County, about 36 percent of normal. Emery County reports that there has been little to no moisture received to get any kind of production on the ranges.

Livestock Summary

Livestock is in good to excellent condition. No reports of major disease. Pasture and rangeland conditions are fair to good. Stock water supplies are mostly adequate.

Crop Progress for Week Ending April 1, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Barley Planted	42	NA	15	28
Oats Planted	23	NA	15	18
Spring Wheat Planted	40	NA	15	32
Apricots Full Bloom	37	NA	9	34

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending April 1, 2007

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Range & Pasture	2	7	34	53	4
Winter Wheat	0	0	18	67	15
Sheep	0	3	15	74	8
Cattle/calves	0	1	11	76	12

Livestock Percent for Week Ending April 1, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cows Calved	65	NA	63	61
Sheep Sheared on Farm	39	NA	52	46
Sheep Sheared on Range	27	NA	24	26
Ewes Lambled on Farm	70	NA	67	61
Ewes Lambled on Range	20	NA	23	25

Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 1, 2007

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	0	6	91	3
Subsoil	0	10	87	3
Irrigation water supplies	2	22	75	1
Stock water supplies	0	6	93	1